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I feel that the current proposed settlement for the Microsoft case is too lax and that it requires further strengthening in order to be in full compliance with the law. Microsoft has developed a whole new software development environment called (dot).NET that is not mentioned in the settlement, and that would allow the current settlement to be a setback of miniscule proportions. They have even announced how (dot).NET is the successor to the currently used JVM, and yet the settlement does nothing to make sure (dot).NET will continue to be open. It also does not do enough to make sure that all software vendors can get access to the Windows APIs, nor does it open up access to all APIs that Microsoft currently implements. This would allow Microsoft to shift their focus from the products mentioned in the settlement, to those that are not and continue using restrictive licensing and other unfair anti-competetive practices.

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